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SUBJ: IBRD RAILWAY PROJECT SUDAN - TRADE OPPORTUNITY

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1. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS FROM READING IBRD PROJECT APPRAISAL REPORT AND CONVERSATIONS WITH LOCAL IBRD REP THAT ALL EQUIPMENT TO BE FINANCED BY IDA PORTION OF PROJECT FUNDING (INCLUDING "COMMUNICATIONS AND TRAIN CONTROL EQUIPMENT") WILL BE SUBJECT TO INTERNATIONAL TENDER. HOWEVER, EXACT NATURE OF EQUIPMENT NEEDED IS TO BE DECIDED ONLY AFTER REVIEW OF OPERATIONS BY SUDAN RAILWAYS AND OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS BEING FINANCED UNDER RELATED UNDP PROGRAM. IT PRESUMABLY POSSIBLE THAT, ONCE THIS DETERMINATION MADE, EXEMPTION COULD BE PROVIDED TO PERMIT LOCAL CONTRACT PROCUREMENT OF CERTAIN MINOR ITEMS.

2. RE ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, WE BELIEVE IDA PRESS RELEASE MUST HAVE BEEN REFERRING TO AIRPORT STUDY WHICH ALSO INCLUDED UNDER OVERALL UMBRELLA OF RAILWAY PROJECT. OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE TO RAILWAYS INVOLVES NOT ENGINEERING BUT OPERATIONS SPECIALISTS BEING PROVIDED UNDER CONTRACT WITH COMMONWEALTH RAILWAYS (AUSTRALIA). THIS CONTRACT IS IN FORCE, WITH EXPERTS ON GROUND SINCE AUGUST 73.
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